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Division of Oil, Gas and Mining
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Dear Mr. Braxton:

SUBJECT: Utah Copper Division Modernization Project Revegetation Test Study Program

Outlined below for your review and approval is Kennecott's response to your letter of August 28, 1986.

- 1. Prior to the application of fertilizer on the test subplots, each individual soil type (100%A, 50%A/50%B, and 100%B horizon) will be chemically analyzed for nitrogen, available phosphorous, potassium, pH and electrical conductivity. The type and rate of fertilizer application, organic matter content and the data from the soil analysis will be submitted to the Division of Oil, Gas and Mining at least 30 days prior to the scheduled date of application.
- 2. Kennecott is currently cooperating with the Central Valley Sanitary Sewage District in developing a plan to test sewage sludge as a soil amendment on the waste dumps. There are no plans to extend this test work to the plots near the Copperton grinding plant.
- 3. Evaluation of the individual species study will begin in 1987.

4. The species trials will be planted in early October, 1986. The Division of Oil, Gas and Mining will be notified at least one week prior to planting and a site visit will be arranged.

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